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SUBJECT: COMMUNICATION FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTER

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1. IN APPROACH TO FRENCH AND UK FOREIGN MINISTERS YOU SHOULD STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF PREEMPTING AN ARAB DRAFT RESOLUTION WHICH, WE ARE CONVINCED, WILL FOLLOW PAST PATTERN AND FACE US WITH VERY SERIOUS DECISION IN LIGHT OF HEIGHTENED TENSIONS IN THE AREA AND THE INCREASING JEOPARDY TO FOREIGN LIVES AND PROPERTY. ONCE INTRODUCED, AN ARAB TEXT COULD PROVE EXCEEDINGLY DIFFICULT TO DISLODGE AND EXPERIENCE SHOWS THAT THERE IS LITTLE HOPE OF EFFECTING NECESSARY CHANGES FOR ADEQUATE BALANCE. WE BELIEVE THAT PROMPT INTRODUCTION OF A BALANCED TEXT BY UK AND FRANCE, HOPEFULLY WITH CO- SPONSORSHIP OF SEVERAL OTHERS IF THAT CAN BE ACHIEVED QUICKLY, STANDS BEST CHANCE OF SUCCESS IN VIEW OF THE INCREASED CONCERN SHOWN BY MANY GOVERNMENTS OVER RECENT ACTS OF TERRORISM AS WELL AS MILITARY ACTIONS BY ISRAEL. THE US WOULD REFRAIN FROM ANY INDICATION OF SUPPORT UNTIL APPROPRIATE MOMENT.

2. TEXT WHICH FOLLOWS ILLUSTRATES LANGUAGE WE HAVE IN MIND AND COULD SUPPORT. WE ARE MAKING IT AVAILABLE ONLY TO FRANCE AND UK, IN CAPITOLS AND IN NEW YORK, AND NOT DISCUSSING IT WITH OTHERS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE SOONEST UK AND FRENCH REACTION TO TEXT AND TO THEIR TAKING PROMPT

INITIATIVE.

3. YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR TO FOREIGN MINISTERS WE CONSIDER SITUATION HAS REACHED POINT IN WHICH CONTINUANCE OF PRESENT CYCLE OF TERRORIST VIOLENCE AND ISRAELI RETAILIATION COULD SERIOUSLY JEOPARDIZE CEASE- FIRE. MOREOVER, AMERICAN LIVES AND PROPERTY ARE ENDANGERED, AND WE MUST CALCULATE CAREFULLY THE CONSEQUENCES OF INEFFECTIVE ACTION BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND THE RESULTANT POSSIBILITY OF A US VETO. WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT UK AND FRANCE ASSESS THE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS SITUATION FOR THEIR INTERESTS IN THE AREA.

4. TEXT OF ILLUSTRATIVE DRAFT RES FOLLOWS: QUOTE
GRAVELY CONCERNED BY THE CONTINUING ACTS AND THREATS OF
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VIOLENCE AND THE LOSS OF HUMAN LIVES AND DESTRUCTION OF

PROPERTY IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

DEEPLY DEPLORING THE TRAGIC DEATHS OF INNOCENT PERSONS
RESULTING FROM RECENT ACTS OF TERRORISM AT KHARTOUM,
CYPRUS AND ELSEWHERE AND FROM THE ATTACK BY ISRAELI ARMED
FORCES ON APRIL 9-10 IN THE BEIRUT AREA;

URGENTLY DESIRING TO SEE THE RESTORATION OF PEACEFUL
CONDITIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, RESPECT FOR THE TERRITORIAL
INTEGRITY AND POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE OF ALL COUNTRIES
AND STRICT OBSERVANCE OF THE FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS OF
ALL PEOPLES IN THE AREA,

1. CONDEMNS THE ISRAELI ARMED ATTACK ON LEBANESE
TERRITORY AS WELL AS TERRORIST ACTS IN THE AREA OR ELSE-
WHERE AS A CONSEQUENCE OF TENSION IN THE AREA,
2. CALLS UPON ALL STATES NOT TO ACQUESCE IN AND TO TAKE
ALL PRACTICAL MEASURES TO PREVENT ORGANIZED ACTIVITIES IN
THEIR TERRITORY DIRECTED TOWARDS THE COMMISSION OF ACTS
OF TERRORISM AND UPON ISRAEL TO REFRAIN FROM ARMED
ATTACKS IN VIOLATION OF THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF
ANOTHER STATE,
3. DEMANDS THAT ALL STATES PUT AN IMMEDIATE END TO ANY
ENCOURAGEMENT OR SUPPORT FOR, OR ACQUIESCENCE IN, THE USE
OF VIOLENCE IN ANY FORM IN THE AREA OR ELSEWHERE,
4. REAFFIRMS ITS VIEW THAT A PERMANENT AND JUST PEACE IN
THE MIDDLE EAST MUST BE BASED ON ALL PROVISIONS OF THE
SECURITY COUNCIL' S RESOLUTION 242 OF NOVEMBER 22, 1967,

INCLUDING A JUST SETTLEMENT OF THE REFUGEE PROBLEM,

5. URGES THE PARTIES TO MAKE RENEWED EFFORTS TO REACH
AGREEMENT ON STEPS LEADING TO AN OVERALL SETTLEMENT IN
ACCORDANCE WITH SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242 OF
NOVEMBER 22, 1967, IN ALL ITS POINTS. UNQUOTE

5. FYI: FRENCH AND BRITISH MAY REFER TO LEBANESE TEXT
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IN THEIR POSSESSION. YOU MAY ACKNOWLEDGE WE ARE AWARE OF
ITS EXISTENCE BUT HAVE NOT SEEN TEXT. IF FRENCH OR
BRITISH DISCUSS LEBANESE TEXT WITH YOU AND INDICATE THEY
CONSIDER IT ACCEPTABLE, YOU SHOULD RESPOND FIRMLY THAT
IN YOUR PERSONAL JUDGMENT IT IS FAR FROM BALANCE US COULD

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